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Airport expansion: Joint inspection begins

Verification of boundaries, assessing site conditions before handing over 206.12 acres of land

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (RK&BS)- The proposal for the much-awaited expansion of Mysore Airport, to operate wide-bodied aircraft such as Boeing 737 and Airbus A320, has got a significant traction.

The Airports Authority of India (AAI) has launched a joint survey and inspection of 206.12 acres of land marked for expansion since yesterday. The inspection concludes tomorrow.

The multi-agency inspection involves Director of Mysore Airport P.V. Ushakumari; AGM of Karnataka State Industrial and Infrastructure Development Corporation (KSSIDC) Harati Gouda; AEE of Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB) Arun Kumar; AEE of Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) Pradeep; AEE of Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited (CNNL) Shwetha; Senior Manager (Land) of Mysore Airport Damudi and Senior Manager of CNS (Communication, Navigation and Surveillance), Mysore Airport Abhishek Joshi and other officers.

Director of Mysore Airport P.V. Ushakumari and other officers inspecting the land for the expansion of the Airport on Mysuru-Nanjangud Road yesterday.

Reasons...

The inspection is mainly intended at verifying the boundaries, assess site conditions and identify encumbrances if any, before finalising the documentation of the same. It is a prelude to handing over of the total extent of land by KSSIDC to airport authorities.

The proposal

It has been proposed to extend the existing runway from 1.7 kms to 2.3 kms to facilitate the operation of big aircraft as mentioned above. Along with this, it has been planned to build a dedicated cargo terminal to enable agricultural and industrial exports that may give a boost to Geographical Indication (GI) products of Mysuru.

(See AIRPORT on page 9)

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Adopt a stray

MCC with PFA launches adoption programme

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (MTY&KS)- Following Supreme Court directives for better management of stray dogs, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), People For Animals (PFA) and Animal Husbandry Department had jointly organised a stray puppies adoption programme at Town Hall premises in city this morning.

Today's adoption programme was held to give more publicity to the event so that others would be inspired and come forward to adopt stray pups and nurture them. Today's symbolic event saw adoption of four pups.

(See ADOPT on page 6)

4th YEAR FOND REMEMBRANCE

Smt. JAYAMMA
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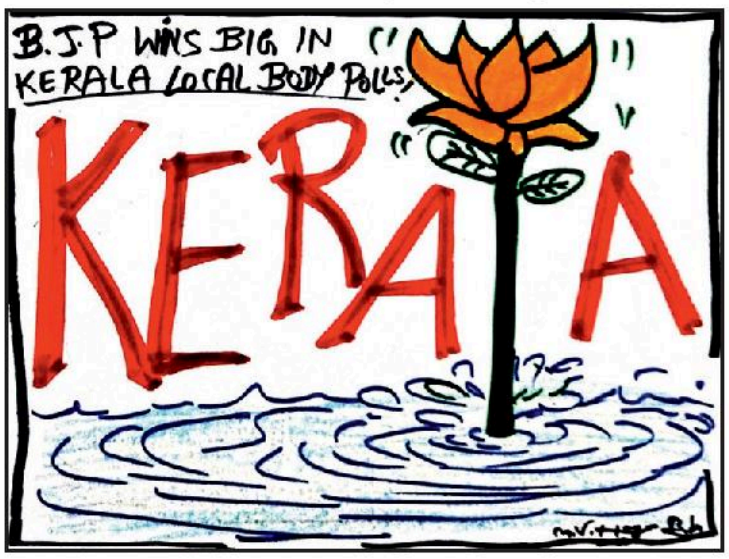
Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 16th December 2025

BABU'S BANTER

By M.V. Nagendra Babu



EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

GRATITUDE, WISDOM AND THE ART OF CONTENTMENT: *It is often observed that spiritual or enlightened individuals exude inner peace, contentment and purity. Yet, most people rarely pause to understand the factors that lead to such a state, let alone strive to attain it, despite valuing it highly.*

Quiet reflection shows that contentment does not come from material wealth or achievements. It comes when the darkness of ignorance lifts, when restless desires for worldly gain fade.

To understand contentment, we would first need to understand the opposite of it, that is, discontentment. If we look around, then we would hardly find anyone who is not discontented. According to experts, there are numerous causes of man's discontentment or dissatisfaction that brings mental agitation and disturbs his intellectual equipoise as a result of which he is weighed down with despair, tension, animosity and mental agony.

A discontented person has a typical habit to build castles in the air while he is as poor as he can be. Such people completely fail to understand that it is only by dint of hard work that a man can make both ends meet and only a man of right understanding can work on the right lines.

Otherwise, it is a blunder to let your reason be clouded by passion and thus lose your own happiness. Hence, we should remember that just as food sustains the body so does the mind find sustenance in happiness. So, the saying goes: there is no food as good as happiness. And, to be happy, you have to be content.

As Alfred Nobel has rightly said that 'Contentment is the only real wealth,' we should therefore not run after securing another kind of wealth to lose the wealth of contentment. In the end, contentment is not a luxury, it is the foundation of a life well-lived. It teaches us that happiness is not found in the endless pursuit of material gain, but in the quiet acceptance of what we have.

When we cultivate contentment, we free ourselves from the chains of envy, restlessness and endless comparison. We learn to work with purpose, to serve with sincerity and to find joy in small achievements rather than grand illusions. Remember! True peace and fulfilment arise not from wealth or recognition, but from the richness of a heart that knows gratitude, the courage to let go and the wisdom to embrace life exactly as it is.

— Rajyogi Brahma Kumar Nikunj in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Porsches in Russia stop working!

Moscow: Hundreds of Porsche owners in Russia have reported that their luxury vehicles are refusing to start, but no one knows exactly why.

At the end of November, media reported a large number of Porsche cars across the country refusing to turn on. Some owners parked their cars in front of their homes only to discover the following morning that they had become expensive decorative pieces, while others stopped for quick errands to find that their vehicles wouldn't start.

A quick diagnostic revealed that the mass shutdown was linked to the cars' built-in Vehicle Tracking System (VTS), which communicates with satellites to track the vehicle's location. Some reported that disassembling the VTS completely brought their cars back from the dead, while others said that resetting the unit by disconnecting the battery for ten hours or more worked.

Man teaches pet octopus to play piano

Stockholm: A Swedish musician spent six months working to accomplish the "worst" and "coolest" thing he has ever done: teaching an octopus to play piano.

Mattias Krantz, a YouTuber whose content usually revolves around musical instruments he modifies and plays, posted a video to the platform detailing how he taught an octopus, named Takoyaki, to play piano.

Krantz said a breakthrough came in August when he installed a "crab elevator" in the tank. The device would lower a crab — Tako's favourite treat — a small amount in a tube for every note the octopus played.

Krantz said he and Tako play together about every other day. "I can't believe I sit here and play with an octopus," he added. Krantz started playing his guitar to accompany Tako's work on the piano, and he was even able to teach the octopus to play the note progression of 'Baby Shark.'

HEALTH CAPSULE

The heart does not sense sharp pain

Unlike skin or joints, the heart transmits pressure and heaviness rather than sharp pain. This is why cardiac discomfort may feel vague or unusual.

By Dr. C.B. Keshavamurthy - Senior Consultant – Interventional Cardiology, Manipal Hospitals, Mysuru

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** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

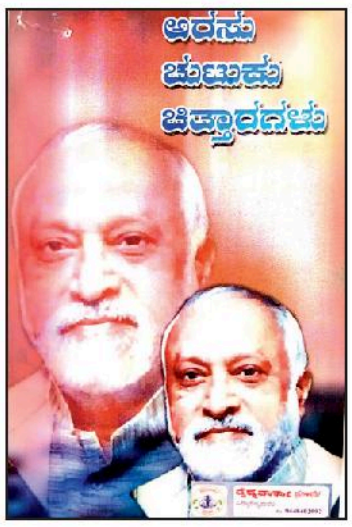
Book release on Dec. 19

Mysuru, Dec. 16- *Arasu Chutuku Chittaragalu*, a book authored by Chutuku Yugacharya Dr. M.G.R. Urs and edited by V. Seethalakshmi Varma will be released on Dec. 19 at the Institution of Engineers auditorium on JLB Road at 10.45 am.

The programme will be inaugurated by former Kannada and Culture Minister Rani Satish.

Karnataka Sanskrit University former Vice-Chancellor Dr. Padma Shekar will release the book.

Kanteerava Studio former Chairperson Vijayalakshmi Urs will preside. Educationist Bhramara Bahaddur will receive the first copy of the book.



Bengaluru Doordarshan Director (retd.) Dr. Nirmala C. Yaligar and Editor V. Seethalakshmi Varma will be the chief guests.

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Yesterday's level **123.18 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,275.56 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,831.26 feet**
Today's Inflow **2,764 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **570 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **84 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **2,242 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **0 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **300 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- *Since every tiger has their own pattern on their fur, they are all unique.*
- *Today, there are five subspecies of tiger: These subspecies are the Bengal tiger, South China tiger, Indochinese tiger, Sumatran tiger and Amur tiger (also known as Siberian tiger). Sadly, three subspecies of tiger have become extinct — the Caspian, Bali and Javan.*
- *Tigers are the largest wild cats in the world: Adults can weigh up to 363 kg (that's about the same as ten ten year olds!) and measure up to 3.3m!*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher: *Name two days of the week that start with 'T.'*

John: *Today and Tomorrow!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= **Rs. 90.84**
1 UK Pound	= **Rs. 121.44**
1 UAE Dirham	= **Rs. 24.73**
1 Euro	= **Rs. 106.77**

VOICE OF THE READER

Woes of Drishti Enclave residents

Sir,

This is to bring to the attention of the authorities the pressing issues affecting our layout — Drishti Enclave, Basavanapura Road, Vijayanagar IV Stage, II Phase, Mysuru.

Our layout, with 25 residents, is deprived of basic services from the Bogadi Town Panchayat. The issues are as follows:

All our layout roads are almost completely covered and concealed by overgrown bushes and shrubs, creating ideal living spaces for all types of snakes — dangerous and poisonous reptiles. With many small children in the layout, residents are afraid to walk freely. Walking on the road after 6 pm has become extremely risky.

For street lighting, residents are forced to bear the monthly electricity bill themselves. We are deprived of drinking water facilities of any kind. Borewell water availability is very poor.

Our layout park area resembles a mini forest, with absolutely no maintenance.

We request Bogadi Town Panchayat officials to visit our layout at the earliest to understand the ground reality and ensure a speedy resolution of these burning issues.

—H.K. Muralidhara,
Honorary President,
on behalf of Drishti Enclave Layout Welfare Society

Mysuru 6.12.2025

Mall of Mysore unveils Christmas Carnival-2025

Grand Carnival lighting from Dec. 17; Meet & Greet Santa from Dec. 24

Mysuru, Dec. 16- Mall of Mysore launched its much-awaited Christmas Carnival-2025 on Dec. 15 bringing together the true magic of the festive season through stunning décor, exciting attractions and rewarding shopping experiences for visitors of all ages. This year's Carnival promises to be bigger, brighter and more delightful than ever with exclusive attractions:

Cake Expo: An irresistible showcase of Christmas delicacies by city's finest bakers — from traditional plum cakes to gourmet festive desserts.

Mysuru's tallest Christmas Tree: Behold the grandeur of the tallest Christmas tree in Mysuru, beautifully crafted to mark the joyous spirit of the season.

Grand Carnival lighting from Dec. 17: Watch Mall of Mysore transform into a glittering wonderland with enchanting decorative lights.

Meet & Greet Santa from Dec. 24: A magical moment for children and families to meet Santa Claus and capture festive memories.

Celebrate, Shop and Get Rewarded: As part of the Christmas Carnival, Mall of Mysore invites shoppers to enjoy exclusive assured gifts:

Shop for Rs. 5,000 & above - Avail Shoppers Stop Gift Voucher or Vacuum Flask; Shop for Rs. 15,000 & above - Get Stylish Neckband; Shop for Rs. 30,000 & above - Win Premium AirPods or Headphones.

Every purchase enhances the joy of gifting — making your festive shopping truly value-packed and rewarding!

Speaking about the event, Sandeep Kumar, Vice-President, DMSI Group stated, "The objective of this Christmas Carnival is to create a memorable environment where every visitor feels the warmth of the festive season. We want shoppers to enjoy not just great offers, but the essence of Christmas — joy, togetherness and magical experiences."

With vibrant events, exciting rewards and delightful attractions, Mall of Mysore invites everyone to celebrate the season of joy with their loved ones.

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Cottonking launches first ever Winter Wear Collections

Mysuru, Dec. 16- Cottonking, one of India's most trusted menswear brands, has entered the winter wear segment with the launch of *Aero Knit*, a youthful cotton-rich collection targeted at youths and the young at heart.

Crafted specially for Indian winters, Aero Knit offers the best of both worlds — the natural cotton comfort, breathability and skin-friendliness and the warmth enhanced by its innovative knit structures. Available in a wide range of designs, colours and patterns, the Aero Knit collection comprises multiple winter-friendly product categories — Knitted Full Sleeve T-Shirts; Flat-Knit and Sweater-Knit T-Shirts; Stylish Hoodies.

Speaking at the launch event in Mumbai, Director Koushik Marathe said "Cottonking's first step into winter wear, Aero Knit reflects a blend of innovation, comfort and style. With an attractive price range starting Rs. 895 to Rs. 1,895, Aero Knit stays true to its name — Winter Besties."

With this launch, Cottonking expands its seasonal offerings while continuing its commitment to providing comfortable, breathable and stylish apparel designed for modern lifestyle.

No Sound & Light Show at Palace from Dec. 17 to Jan. 4

Mysuru, Dec. 16- As preparations are underway for the Winter Flower Show to be held at the Mysore Palace premises this month, the Sound and Light Show at the Palace is temporarily stopped from Dec. 17, 2025 to Jan. 4, 2026, according to Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Bhavageethe workshop

Sa Pa Sa Sangeetha Vidyalaya, Mysuru and Akhila Karnataka Sugama Sangeetha Okkuta, Mysuru, have jointly organised Bhavageethe Workshop at its Sa Pa Sa Sangeetha Vidyalaya near Ganabharathi in Kuvempunagar from Dec. 17 to 19 between 5 pm and 6 pm. Call Mob: 97429-92437 or 98805-89052.

MRC Races cancelled

The Mysore Race Club (MRC) Ltd. has cancelled the fifth day Mysore Winter Races 2025-26 scheduled to be held tomorrow (Dec. 17), due to administrative reasons.

Free health camp

The 'Sri Sutra Ayurdhama', located on JLB Road, Chamundipuram in city, has organised a week-long free health check-up camp from Dec.15 to Dec. 21. Patients diagnosed for or suffering from kidney stones and its related symptoms can benefit from this camp. It will be open from 10 am to 1 pm on all days till Dec. 21. [Mob: 99801-23211 or 77606-13536]

Free cancer detection clinic

Preethi Centre for Oncology, located on M.G. Road in Lakshmipuram, has organised a free cancer detection clinic at its premises on Dec. 18. The clinic will be open from 10 am to 8 pm. For details, call Ph: 0821-4259259.

Old students meet

A meeting of Vishwaprajna Educational Institutions' old students will be held on Dec. 21 at 10.30 am, at the auditorium of the school. Secretary of the Institution A.R. Devaraju has appealed all old students to attend the meeting and to take part in the proposed deliberations with Administrative Board and also obtain membership. For more details contact Usha on Mob: 91088-96871.

Cow milking competition

Mysuru Nagara Gopalakara Sangha, in memory of late actor Thoogudeepa Srinivas and other senior members of the Sangha, will be organising a three-day cow milking competition from Jan. 23, 2026 at J.K. Grounds in city. The Sangha has announced cash prize of Rs. 1.50 lakh for the winner along with a trophy, Rs. 1 lakh and a trophy for the runner-up, Rs. 75,000 and a trophy for third prize, Rs. 50,000 and a trophy for fourth prize and Rs. 25,000 for fifth prize.

Mysore University Prasaranga website to be launched soon

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (MTY&DM)- University of Mysore (UoM) Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath said that the website of 'Prasaranga,' the University's Publication Wing, would soon be launched in order to expand reader base globally.

He was speaking after inaugurating the two-day 'Prasaranga Pustakotsava-2025,' the Book Fair organised by Prasaranga at its premises in Manasagangothri here yesterday.

Maintaining that Poet Laureate Kuvempu had dreamt of Prasaranga, he said that the Publication Wing has grown into a huge tree since its inception. But it had to face a setback due to advent of the digital era which resulted in the decline of book purchasers, he said.

"Many books with price ranging from a few paisa and rupees to thousands of rupees are available at Prasaranga. The Book Fair has been organised in order to reach out these books to the people. Kuvempu used to frequently visit this Prasaranga after retirement. He also played a vital role in Prasaranga making a mark at the global level. It was reading that made Kuvempu a great personality," he observed.

University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath inaugurating 'Prasaranga Pustakotsava-2025' at Prasaranga premises on Hunsur Road in city yesterday as University Registrar M.K. Savitha, Prasaranga Director Prof. Nanjaiah Honganur and others look on.

Noting that efforts are being made to make Prasaranga more active, he said that the University is discussing on newer possibilities and opportunities for Prasaranga. Soon a new website would be launched in order to make books available online as well. The works on the website is near complete and readers can buy books online as well, he said.

University Registrar M.K. Savitha said, it is a matter of pride that the Prasaranga, which was meant for book works, got a beautiful and vast building during the times of Kuvempu. Now, everyone should strive together for saving this prestigious wing of the University for future generations, she pointed out.

Prasaranga Director Prof. Nanjaiah Honganur said, there was a need for carrying out a survey on the volumes of Epigraphy of Karnataka. The Pustakotsava has been organised in order to sensitise the younger generation on our ancient manuscripts and epigraphs, he added.

Retired employees of Prasaranga — Dasegowda, Linganna, K.S. Ramaseshan, T. Kamalamma, G. Sridevi. D.T. Eregowda and Kumar — were felicitated on the occasion.

Kannada & Culture Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy, former Prasaranga Directors K.T. Veerappa and Prof. S. Lakshminarayan Arora were present.

Rs. 50.99 cr. released for temples development

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (GA&VNS)- Rs. 50.99 crore has been released for development of various temples in Mysuru, Mandya, Hassan and Chamarajanagar, said Muzrai Minister Ramalinga Reddy.

Responding to a question by MLC K. Vivekananda at the Legislative Council during the ongoing Winter Session, Ramalinga Reddy said that the State Government during the 2023-24 financial year had released a total of Rs. 12.98 crore which included Rs. 6.43 crore for Mysuru, Rs. 2.69 crore for Mandya, Rs. 2.78 crore for Hassan and Rs. 1.7 crore for Chamarajanagar.

He added that a total of Rs. 19.67 crore had been release for Mysuru during 2024-25 financial year, Rs. 6.85 crore for Mandya, Rs. 5.4 crore for Hassan, Rs. 31.2 crore for Chamarajanagar and till December, 2025, Rs 1.80 crore was released for Mysuru, Rs. 35 lakh for Mandya, Rs. 1 crore for Hassan and Rs. 15 lakh for Chamarajanagar.

MLC K. Vivekananda also requested for the release of more funds for development and renovation of temples in all four districts. In his response, Minister Ramalinga Reddy said that he would review the requests received by Legislators, Ministers and Deputy Commissioners.

Youth arrested for murder

T. Narasipur, Dec. 16 (KS)- T. Narasipur Town Police have arrested a youth for allegedly murdering a man who had questioned the youth for being close with his wife.

Dheeraj

The arrested accused has been identified as 21-year-old Dheeraj, a resident of Tirumakudalu village and the murdered victim is Vinod Kumar, a resident of Hosa Tirumakudalu village.

On Saturday morning, Dheeraj had brutally assaulted Vinod with lethal weapons at Chowdaiah Circle in Hale Tirumakudalu leading to the death of Vinod. Dheeraj had gone absconding since then and the Town Police had registered a case.

The Cops, who swung into action, arrested Dheeraj yesterday, conducted spot mahazar and seized the murder weapon. The accused was produced before a Court which remanded him to Judicial Custody.

It is learnt that Dheeraj was a distant relative of Vinod and was staying in his house after he had lost his parents. Dheeraj had reportedly developed closeness with Vinod's wife and when Vinod questioned Dheeraj about it, Dheeraj allegedly murdered Vinod and had gone absconding.

Obituary

Kademada B. Cariappa

Mysuru, Dec. 16- Kademada B. Cariappa (Prithvi), son of late K.G. Belliappa and a resident of Yadavagiri, passed away this morning in city. He was 76.

He leaves behind his wife Usha (Konerira), daughter Neha, son-in-law Vara, grandson Vihaan and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be held tomorrow (Dec. 17) at 2 pm in Chirashantidhama, Gokulam.

Mukkati Ramesh

Mukkati Ramesh (76), a resident of Kuvempunagar N-Block, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife Anitha, one son, daughter-in-law, one daughter, son-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Jayanagar Burial Grounds this noon, according to family sources

Basavaiah

Basavaiah (78), a retired Mysore University employee and a resident of Kuvempunagar, who was earlier residing at K.G. Koppal, passed away yesterday in city. He was the former Vice-President of Kuvempunagar Anikethana Residents Association.

He leaves behind his wife, children, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Kannegowda Burial Grounds in Kuvempunagar yesterday, according to family sources.

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Firm on building...
Cricket Stadium
in Mysuru: KSCA President Venkatesh Prasad

First visit to Mysuru city after winning KSCA Presidential poll; talks on with Home Minister to host inaugural session of IPL next season at M. Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (MK&BS)- Newly elected President of Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) Venkatesh Prasad is firm on building a cricket stadium in the City of Palaces Mysuru.

Speaking to media persons during his visit to Gangothri Glades (SDNR Wadiyar Stadium) at Manasagangothri in the city this morning, after winning KSCA elections, Prasad, a former pacer of Indian cricket team said, 'We are firm on constructing a cricket stadium in Mysuru, the city with which many share a closer bond. I also have my roots in Mysuru, which is a cultural city. Moreover, the children need better playgrounds to hone their talents and the best among them need opportunities.'

On the persistent efforts to restore M. Chinnaswamy Cricket Stadium in Bengaluru, that is out of bounds for cricket lovers, following the stampede incident that claimed 11 lives in June this year, Prasad, who sounded hopeful explained that, he has discussed the subject with Home Minister Dr. G. Parameshwar over phone and will be meeting the latter personally, after the conclusion of winter session of the Assembly in Belagavi. Along with IPL, other domestic and international-level matches too should be played at Chinnaswamy Stadium. The matter has been discussed with Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), he added.

Newly-elected KSCA President and former international cricketer Venkatesh Prasad** (second from right) **visited SDNR Wadiyar Stadium at Manasagangothri in Mysuru yesterday. He was accompanied by KSCA Secretary Santosh Menon** (extreme left), **Managing Committee Member Avinash Vaidya** (extreme right). **They were welcomed by KSCA Mysuru Zone Convenor P. Srinivas Prasad** (second from left). **The team also greeted BCCI Match Referee Dr. Rohit Prakash** (third from left), **who will be overseeing the match proceedings of U-19 Cooch Behar Trophy tie between Karnataka and Maharashtra starting from Dec. 16 to Dec. 19. Venkatesh Prasad also interacted with Maharashtra U-19 team on the occasion ahead of their match.

"As is the practice, the next season of Indian Premier League (IPL) matches should begin from the home ground of winners of previous season, which was won by RCB. We have a good team in place at KSCA, with a woman office-bearer too elected this time. Whatever we lost in the last three years will be restored. The women's cricket and club-level crickets, followed by college-level crickets will be conducted to give more impetus to cricketing activities from the grassroots level" added Prasad.

KSCA Mysuru Zone Convener P. Srinivas Prasad was present on the occasion.

Adopt a stray

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While MCC Zone 6 Zonal Commissioner M.S. Pratibha adopted two pups, Adarsh and Sudeep of city adopted one pup each.

Speaking on the occasion, MCC Commissioner Shaikh Tanveer Asif said that the city has more stray dogs and in a bid to control their population this adoption programme was being held and called upon dog-lovers to adopt stray pups as it will help control their menace on streets.

Sponsor if you cannot adopt

The MCC Commissioner also said that those who wish to adopt stray pups but cannot do it due to various reasons can sponsor sterilisation and anti-rabies vaccination programmes. Individuals, institutions and organisations can also adopt stray pups or sponsor their sterilisation and vaccination or can even sponsor food to them, he added.

Rayanakere Dog Shelter will be started soon

Pointing out that an Operation Theatre (OT), which has the capacity to operate 10 dogs in a day has already been constructed at the dog shelter in Rayanakere, Shaikh Tanveer Asif said that medical equipment will be installed in the OT next month besides stating that facility to house 500 stray dogs at the Rayanakere Dog Shelter will be started soon in the first phase.

Animal Husbandry Department Taluk Assistant Director Dr. Poornananda said that there are about 50,000 stray dogs for a population of about 10 lakh in Mysuru city and taluk.

Continuing, he said, "We have been hearing news about stray dogs menace and stray dogs attacking public. Various Departments have been working towards controlling the population of stray dogs, but still there are more stray dogs on the streets."

Desi breeds are more loyal and trustworthy

Stating that desi breeds are more loyal and trustworthy than imported breeds, he said that it is scientifically proven that having a dog at home will bring down stress among individuals and dogs can significantly contribute to a family's happiness and well-being. The benefits are widely documented and include improvements in mental, physical and social health, he added.

Dr. Poornananda said that desi breeds are easy to maintain and the expenditure to look after them is also very less compared to other breeds as stray dogs by birth are acclimatised to all types of weather and do not fall sick often. Hence more people should come forward to adopt stray puppies.

PFA Mysore Founder and Trustee Savitha Nagabhushan, Animal Husbandry Department retired Deputy Director Suresh, MCC Environmental Officers and others were present.

Showing the way...

MCC Zone-6 Zonal Commissioner M.S. Pratibha sets an example by being the first to adopt two pups.

City student wins State-level URSC, ISRO scientific presentation contest

Mysuru, Dec.16- B. Ganavi, a Class 8 student of Excel Public School (EPS), Mysuru, has secured first prize in the prestigious *"Kishora Kammata - Scientific Presentation Competition in Kannada,"* organised by **U.R. Rao Satellite Centre, Indian Space Research Organisation (URSC, ISRO),** Bengaluru, as part of Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations.

The State-level contest saw participation from 18 shortlisted schools across Karnataka, with students presenting scientific concepts linked to satellite technology.

Presenting on the **Zeroth Law of Thermodynamics,** Ganavi explained the scientific principle of thermal equilibrium and temperature measurement entirely in Kannada. Her presentation covered the origin of the law, its real-world applications in temperature regulation and its relevance in satellite thermal control systems, including how engineers manage extreme heat variations between the sun-facing and shadow sides of spacecraft.

She also demonstrated the concept through a live experiment using hot and cold water, glass tumblers and thermometers to illustrate how two systems reach thermal equilibrium.

Following her presentation, the EPS contingent visited the Large Space Simulation Chamber (LSSC) at URSC, where students were exposed to live mission analysis environments and interacted with senior scientists.

Ganavi's preparation for the competition was supported through weeks of structured mentoring by the school's Astronomy and Science teams.

Excel Public School student B. Ganavi seen with Bhavya (Math Teacher), Mahesha (Kannada Teacher and Academic Coordinator) and M.B. Mahesh (STEAM Coordinator and Astronomy & Amateur Radio Club Incharge).

'A dream come true'

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* on her feat, Ganavi said, "It still feels unbelievable to have presented at URSC, ISRO and won first place. Explaining science in Kannada on such a big platform is a dream come true. The interactions with URSC, ISRO scientists were truly inspiring. The entire experience has strengthened my dream of exploring space science in future and I am deeply grateful to my teachers and to Excel Public School for supporting and guiding me at every step."

M. Sankaran, Director, URSC, ISRO, greeting prize winner Ganavi.

Under the able guidance of M.B. Mahesh (STEAM Coordinator, Astronomy and Amateur Radio Club Incharge), Mahesha (Kannada Teacher and Academic Coordinator), Bhavya (Math Teacher) and David Rakshith Raj (Social Science Teacher), she refined her subject understanding, experimental demonstration and scientific communication, emerging as one of the youngest finalists to secure top honours.

K.G. Mathew, Principal, EPS, said, "Ganavi's accomplishment at the Scientific Presentation Competition is a moment of immense pride for the entire Excel Public School community. From explaining a core physics principle in Kannada to engaging directly with senior URSC, ISRO scientists, her journey reflects what young learners can achieve with the right guidance and a supportive environment.

The Kishora Kammata Scientific Presentation Competition, conducted annually by URSC, ISRO, aims to strengthen scientific communication among students and deepen awareness of fundamental principles used in satellite technology.

Christmas celebration for special children

Mysuru, Dec.16- The Mysore Diocesan Commission for Health and the Specially Abled had organised a joyful Christmas celebration for special children on Dec.13 at the Open Air Stage, St. Joseph's College of Nursing in Bannimantap. The programme reflected the true spirit of Christmas — love, inclusion and dignity for every child.

The celebration was graced by the Most Rev. Dr. Francis Serrao SJ, Bishop of Mysore and Most Rev. Dr. Thomas Antony Vazhapilly, Emeritus Bishop of Mysore, along with Estelle D'Souza, Regional Coordinator, Fr. Roxan Baros, Diocesan Coordinator, priests, religious, volunteers, parents and well-wishers.

The programme featured prayer services, cultural performances, dances, skits and songs presented by special children and participating schools.

In his Christmas message, the Bishop emphasised that every child is precious in God's eyes and called upon the community to foster an inclusive and compassionate society.

The celebration concluded with prize distribution, Christmas gifts and refreshments, bringing smiles and happiness to all.

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MyBuild-25 expo concludes

Star of Mysore **and** *Mysuru Mithra* **Managing Editor Vikram Muthanna** *(centre)* **is seen releasing the poster of 'MyBuild-26' during the valedictory of 'MyBuild-25' exhibition organised by Builders Association of India (BAI) Mysuru Centre at Maharaja's College Grounds in city yesterday. Also seen are** *(from left)* **BAI Mysuru Hon. Secretary N. Lokesh Gowda, MyBuild-25 Chairman B. Ramesh Rao, BAI Mysuru 2026 Chairman Prabhakar Rao, MyBuild-26 Chairman S.L. Dinesh, MyBuild-26 Secretary A. Dinesh, BAI Mysuru Chairman V. Srinath, BAI Karnataka Chairman N. Subramanya and BAI Mysuru Hon. Secretary C.D. Krishna. Picture below shows visitors at the expo venue.**

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (PM&DM)- Stating that the Union Government has planned to make India a fully developed country through 'Viksit Bharat-2047' initiative, Builders Association of India (BAI) Karnataka State Chairman N. Subramanya said that the initiative offers a great opportunity for builders, manufacturers and service providers.

He was speaking at the valedictory of the 5-day 'MyBuild-25', Silver Jubilee edition of the premier expo showcasing futuristic building materials, latest construction technologies and Industry advancements, organised by BAI Mysuru Centre at Maharaja's College Grounds here yesterday.

Star of Mysore and *Mysuru Mithra Managing* Editor Vikram-Muthanna, who was the guest of honour on the occasion, said that the expo, which showcases a whole range of construction materials, is very much informative to the public and there is a need for more publicity for the next edition of the expo.

A poster of the 26th edition of 'MyBuild' expo, scheduled to be held from Dec. 10 to 14, 2026, was released and those who strived for the organisation of the expo and sponsors, promoters and office-bearers of the Organising Committee were felicitated on the occasion.

BAI Mysuru Chairman V. Srinath, Hon. Secretary C.D. Krishna, MyBuild-25 Chairman B. Ramesh Rao, Hon. Secretary N. Lokesh Gowda and others were present. The exhibitors at the MyBuild expo were distributed prizes in different categories.

BAI Mysuru celebrates Silver Jubilee of MyBuild

The office-bearers of Builders' Association of India (BAI) seen during the Silver Jubilee celebrations of MyBuild at Hotel Lalitha Mahal Palace in Mysuru recently.

Mysuru, Dec. 16- Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Centre, celebrated Silver Jubilee of its most popular and flagship event MyBuild at Hotel Lalitha Mahal Palace in city recently.

MyBuild, the Construction Materials, Equipment and Interiors Expo, which commenced in the year 2001 at Nanjaraja Bahaddur Choultry, has since then developed into a perfect platform for people to get a glimpse of latest in construction materials and technologies.

The 25th edition of MyBuild was held at Maharaja's College Grounds between Dec. 11 and 15, 2025, which had nearly 300 stalls from various leading construction materials manufacturing companies.

The Southern Regional Conference Dakshina Parva 2.0 was also organised to commemorate this occasion for which nearly 500 delegates from across South India participated.

BAI National President Rajendra Singh Kamboh, Past National Presidents R. Radhakrishna, Vijaya Raghava Reddy, C. Seenaiah, S.N. Reddy, BAI National Vice-President D.V.N. Reddy, BAI Trustees Ram Kotaiah, K. Subramani, Past National Vice-Presidents K. Sriram, Sachidananda Reddy, N.S. Muralidhara, State Chairman Karnataka N. Subramanya, State Chairman Andhra Pradesh Sheshagiri Rao and State Chairman Kerala Johnson were present on the occasion.

All the past MyBuild Chairmen were felicitated during this occasion.

Parva, the souvenir to commemorate the Silver Jubilee Celebration of MyBuild, was released.

Elaborate security in city ahead of President's visit

Security checks underway at Hotel Radisson Blu Plaza this morning in preparation for the President's stay.

Mysuru, Dec.16 (BLU&TRR)- Elaborate security arrangements have been made for President of India Droupadi Murmu, who is scheduled to land at Mysore Airport in Mandakalli at 2 pm in a special IAF Aircraft today.

Droupadi Murmu

She will be received at the Mysuru Airport by Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot and Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy.

The President will be visiting Malavalli later in the day today to inaugurate the 1066 Jayanti of Suttur Shivarathreeshawara Shivayogi Mahaswamyji.

The President, Governor and Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy will travel to Malavalli in an IAF helicopter and after the event the President will stay at Hotel Radisson Blu Plaza in city tonight while the Governor will stay at the Government Guest House in Nazarbad.

The Race Course Road in city has been cleared by City Police to ensure a smooth and secure passage of the President's convoy.

One KSRP platoon is stationed at Government Guest House as security arrangement for Governor as per protocol.

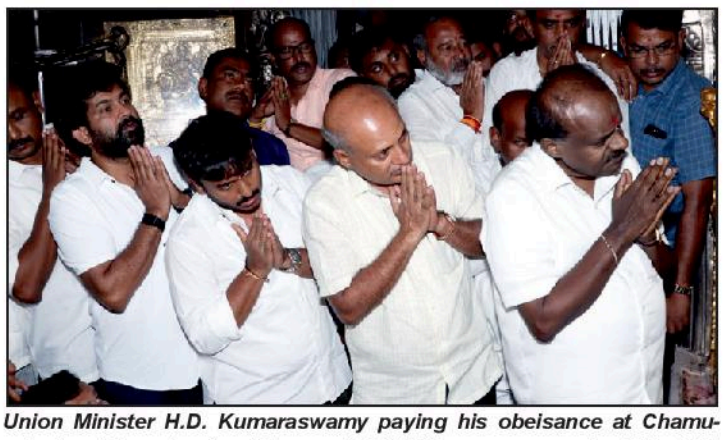
Meanwhile, H.D. Kumaraswamy, who is celebrating his birthday today, visited Chamundi Hill this afternoon. After Malavalli programme, he will return to Bengaluru.

The President will leave for Hyderabad tomorrow and the Governor will leave for Bengaluru.

Union Minister Kumaraswamy offers prayers at Chamundi Hill temple

JD(S) and BJP workers waiting for Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy on Mysuru-Bengaluru highway this morning. MLA G.D. Harish Gowda, MLC C.N. Manjegowda, former MP Prathap Simha, former MLAs S.R. Mahesh, K. Mahadev and Ashwin Kumar and others are seen.

Mysuru, Dec.16 (BLU&DM)- On the occasion of his 66th birthday, Union Minister for Steel and Heavy Industries H.D.Kumaraswamy visited Chamundeshwari temple atop Chamundi Hill this noon and offered his obeisance to the deity.



Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy paying his obeisance at Chamundeshwari temple atop Chamundi Hill this noon, as part of his 66th birthday celebrations.

Earlier, Kumaraswamy, also a former Karnataka Chief Minister, who came from Bengaluru by road, was accorded a warm welcome by JD(S) and BJP supporters in front of 'Payana', a vintage car Museum on Mysuru-Bengaluru road. Welcoming the Union Minister, the supporters burst crackers and raised slogans hailing him.

Former MP Prathap Simha, former Minister S.R.Mahesh, MLC C.N.Manjegowda, MLA G.D.Harish Gowda, former MLAs M.Ashwin Kumar and K.Mahadev, City BJP President L.Nagendra, JD(S) leader Narasimhaswamy and others were present.

Returning from Chamundi Hill, Kumaraswamy drove straight to Government Guest House in Nazarbad, where he had some rest and later left for Malavalli in Mandya by road to take part in Suttur Mutt event there, it is learnt.

Retired Government staff to stage demonstration tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec.16 (GA&DM)- Seeking fulfilment of their demands, members of Karnataka State Retired Government Employees Association will stage a demonstration by forming a human chain on Police station road in Ramakrishnanagar at 3.30 pm tomorrow (Dec.17).

Addressing a press meet here yesterday, Association President Umakanth said that the human chain will be formed for 15 minutes, during which the male participants are required to wear a white shirt and pant of any colour and women participants should wear mixed yellow and red colour saree as far as possible. Highlighting the reasons for forming the human chain, Umakanth claimed that the State Government has not yet introduced the recommendations of the 7th Pay Commission even after 15 months. Though the Chief Minister was reminded of this and other demands of the Association several times, nothing much has happened and as such the pensioners are forming the human chain to register their protest.

Prior to the formation of human chain, Pensioners Day will be celebrated at 2.30 pm, during which senior members of the Association would be felicitated, he said adding that former Minister S.R. Mahesh will inaugurate the programme.

The Association office-bearers Chandrashekar and Chikkalingaswamy were present at the press meet.

14,077 cases settled at Lok Adalat

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (DM)- As many as 14,077 cases pending in Mysuru City and Taluk courts were amicably settled through mediation at the National Lok Adalat, the fourth and last one of the current year, held on Dec.13 at City and Taluk Courts across the district.

Out of the 49,645 Civil and Criminal compoundable cases, 26,694 were taken up for amicable settlement at the Lok Adalat, held on Dec. 13 as per the directions of National Legal Services Authority and Karnataka State Legal Services Authority. Of the 26,694 cases, 14,077 cases were settled through mediation/conciliation/negotiation. During the Lok Adalat, 116 transport cases that were registered between 1991-92 and 2019-20, were settled with a collection of Rs. 1,41,900 as penalty, taking advantage of the 50 percent concession in penalty announced by the State Government.

Also, 42 warring couples who had knocked on the doors of the Court seeking separation, citing domestic disharmony, got reunited after burying their differences at the Lok Adalat.

Overall, the Dec. 13 Lok Adalat, saw resolution of 14,077 cases, total valued at Rs. 73,55,63,277 in terms of compensation and other monetary claims and benefits.

The Lok Adalat was held under the guidance of Principal District and Sessions Court Judge Usharani and Senior Civil Judge K.K. Amarnath, who is also the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Member-Secretary.

Mysore Bar Association President S. Lokesh, Secretary A.G. Sudhir, other office-bearers and members of the Association took part.

The three earlier Lok Adalats of the year had taken place on Mar. 8, May 10 and Sept. 13.

Airport expansion

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Potential boost

Most importantly, once the Airport is expanded, it shall be a big impetus to tourism related activities, as the increased air connectivity to Mysuru, will prove as a premier gateway for domestic and international tourists, more so during Nada Habba Mysuru Dasara, which is a global attraction. It will also attract major investments and create trade opportunities, besides generating employment in the region.

AAI grateful

In a release, AAI has stated, "We extend our sincere gratitude to the Government of Karnataka, KSSIDC, KIADB, CNNL, KPTCL, NHAI, for their proactive support. This collaborative effort will transform Mysore Airport into a hub capable of handling wide-bodied aircraft, boosting tourism, trade and regional development."

Regional aviation hub

The Mysore Airport authorities are hopeful of transforming Mysuru as a regional aviation hub, connecting the city to global destinations, thus strengthening its contribution to national economy.

Sports Meet held at I Can School

Live performances from Kindergarten and Primary School students in the form of songs and dances movement took place setting the tone for the day. The school's Karatekas gave a live demonstration.

Athletic events included 50, 60, 75, 100 and 200 mts running race, obstacle courses, to exhilarating relays like 8x100 mts mixed relay and 12x100 mts relay.

The grand finale was the 400 meter lap run by parents and learners which has been tradition since the inception of the school.

Overall, the day was a success and a glorious tribute to the spirit of fair play, teamwork and sportsmanship. Four Houses competed for the coveted winner's trophy. Terra Mater bagged this honour followed by Vulcan, Posideon and Zeus house. Lakshmi Ali, a Special Educator and Education Consultant, distributed medals to the Kindergarten learners.

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (KS)- City's I Can International School and I Can Learning Centre Kindergarten conducted its 16th Annual Sports Meet to promote athletic discipline, teamwork and school spirit among the students.

The Sports Meet, organised by the Student Council 2025-26 and the staff members of the school, was held at Chamundi Vihar Stadium in Nazarbad recently.

The opening ceremony included a guard of honour welcoming of the chief guest Joyce Nathan, a veteran in School Sports Education. This was followed by unfurling the school flag, oath taking ceremony, torch relay and lighting of the cauldron to symbolise goodwill and unity.

The highlight of the opening ceremony was the peace formation, taking inspiration from the 'Peace by Piece' initiative introduced to the school by the dynamic duo Tara and Trisha, performing artistes, who have launched themselves this year in Disney Channel.

Medal winners in boxing

Boxers from Mysuru excelled in the recently held Karnataka Elite Men & Women, Youth Boys & Girls State-level Boxing Championship 2025 held at Vidyanagar DYES, Bengaluru. Mysuru district clinched an impressive 6 Gold, 3 Silver and 7 Bronze medals at the Championship. Seen in the picture are *(standing from left)* ***K.J. Hemanth - bronze (50kg), M.C. Manohar Nayaka - gold (55kg), R. Likhith - bronze (50kg), Mohammed Ayan - bronze (90kg), C.S. Arjun Patel - gold (85kg), M.C. Ullas Gowda - gold (70kg), D.P. Bhuvan - gold (90kg), Siddarth - silver (90kg), C.H. Spoorthi - gold (48kg), R. Richith - gold (80kg), B. Roshani Muthanna - silver (70kg), Preetham - bronze (70kg), Aslam Khan - bronze (50kg), Chethana - bronze (50kg) and Kareena Kataria - silver (45kg);*** *(sitting from left)* ***Mysore District Amateur Boxing Association Joint Secretary S. Deepak Kumar, Secretary S. Jaswanth, President Sahana Shivappa, Coach M. Sahana and Association Director H. Raju.***

Annual Sports Day held at Rotary Midtown Academy

Mysuru, Dec.16- The Annual Sports Day of Rotary Midtown Academy was held in city recently. Veteran Tennis Player and Coach Rtn. R. Nagaraj, who was the chief guest, handed over the sports torch to the students. He also hoisted the flag along with Academy Chairman Rtn. N. Narendrababu, Principal Athmanandha and Head Mistresses Sarli and Niveda.

Interaction on 'Building a Better Mysuru with Vision - 2050'

Noted orator Prof. M. Krishnegowda** (3rd from left), **who inaugurated the interaction programme at BSS Vidyodaya in city on Sunday, seen with former BAI Mysuru Chairman K. Sriram, BSS Vidyodaya Secretary R. Vasudev Bhat, Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, senior journalists Amshi Prasannakumar and C.K. Mahendra and GSS Group Head Srihari Dwarakanath.

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (MTY&DM)- Personalities from different fields came up with their own ideas and suggestions on building the heritage and cultural city of Mysuru on futuristic lines at an interaction organised under the joint aegis of GSS Yogic Foundation and GSS-CSR focussing on the topic 'Building a Better Mysuru with Vision - 2050' at BSS Vidyodaya premises in Krishnamurthypuram here on Sunday.

Noted orator Prof. M. Krishnegowda who spoke after inaugurating the programme, said that Mysuru has its own speciality.

Driving home his point that tourism has reached insensible proportions, he said that cities and towns are meant for residents and not for tourists.

"Today, several cities and towns have lost their culture and background due to over tourism. We should not develop our cities in accordance with our lifestyles", he noted.

Former BAI Mysuru Chairman K. Sriram said that there are many tourist spots in the city and as such tourism should be given due importance. Promoting tourism will help in creation of jobs and augmentation of revenues.

"Construction of flyovers is not the only answer for addressing traffic woes in the city. It is important to note that many big cities of the world such as London do not have any flyovers. We should introduce park and ride system in order to check traffic congestion, especially during weekends and public holidays," Sriram argued.

Noted *SOM* columnist Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem said that every resident of the city has a role in building a better and calmer city.

Stressing on the need for united efforts in taking the city forward on the right development path for a long time, he likened a city, State, country and the world as a whole to that of the structure of a human body.

"A minor problem in any of the organs will make an impact on the functioning of the entire body system. A society cannot live happily without peace and harmony. In order to create a pleasant atmosphere in city, the Alert Citizen Team (ACT), a community focussed organisation aiming to enhance civic engagement and safety, was formed in Mysuru decades ago, through which activities are being carried out keeping aside caste, community and creed considerations," he pointed out.

BSS Vidyodaya Educational Institutions Secretary R. Vasudev Bhat said that every citizen of the city should work towards maintaining the rich legacy of Mysuru that has been left behind by erstwhile rulers like Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar.

"Mysuru is often called the pensioners paradise. But at the same time, everyone should work hard for building a better and futuristic Mysuru. The city has become an educational hub, but at the same time we should concentrate on imparting value-education. Instead of making their children mark-scoring machines, parents should focus on providing cultural and moral education from the early stage itself," Bhat said.

Senior journalists Amshi Prasannakumar and C.K .Mahendra and GSS Group head Srihari Dwarakanath too spoke.

Mysuru Hotel Owners Association President C. Narayanagowda, Mysuru District Journalists Association President K. Deepak, General Secretary Dharmapura Narayan, Dr. Gangadhar, H.R. Bhagavan, Journalists M.R. Satyanarayan, Ramesh Uthappa and Ram, H.P. Jyothi, Dr. Gajanan Hegde, Dr. A.S. Chandrashekar, P.N. Ganesh Kumar, Dr. Lakshminarayan Shenoy, B.P. Murthy, M.N. Nataraj, B.S. Krishnaprasad, Dr. Basavaraj R. Shreshta and others were present on the occasion.

CESC public meet on Dec. 17, 18

Mysuru, Dec. 16 - Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has organised consumer grievances meet at V.V. Mohalla, Hootagalli, Kuvempunagar and Ramakrishnanagar (RK Nagar) Sub-Divisional Offices on Dec. 17 and 18.

Dec. 17: Hootagall (11 am) and VV Mohalla (3.30 pm).

Dec. 18: Kuvempunagar (11 am) and Ramakrishnanagar (4 pm). The members of the public can attend the meeting and submit their complaints/ grievances, if any, in writing, according to a press release from the Executive Engineer (EE), CESC, V.V. Mohalla Division.

Disruption in power supply tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec. 16 - As Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) has taken up 3rd quarterly maintenance works at FTS Power Distribution Centre, power supply will be disrupted on Dec. 17 between 10 am and 6 pm in the following areas:

Kesare 1st and 2nd Stages, Subashnagar, Shobha Garden, R.S. Naidunagar, N.R. Garden, Belavatta, Shyadanahalli, Naganahalli, K.R. Mill Colony, Siddalingapura, Kalasthawadi, Lakshmipuram and surrounding areas, according to a press release from the Executive Engineer of CESC, N.R. Mohalla Division.

JSS Phone-in

Mysuru, Dec. 16- JSS Radio 91.2 FM Community Radio Station has scheduled a live interview and phone-in programme tomorrow (Dec. 17) from 11.30 am to 12.30 pm with D. Udaykumar, Deputy Director (Administration), Department of Public Instructions, Mysuru — DDPI.

Udaykumar

The public may call Ph: 0821-2546563 or Mob: 82967-25912 and speak directly with the DDPI regarding preparations for SSLC exams 2025-26 and steps taken to improve SSLC results of schools in Mysuru district.

Listeners may tune in to 91.2 FM or access through JSS Radio App.

Hindustani Classical Music Concerts on Dec. 19

Sayan Ghosh

Laahorii Bandhopadhaya

Mysuru, Dec. 16- Gayana Sabha, Mysuru, has organised Hindustani Classical Music Concerts on Dec. 19 at Ganabharathi auditorium in Kuvempunagar.

The programmes will commence at 5.30 pm with sitar recital by **Sayan Ghosh**, followed by vocal recital by **Laahorii Bandhopadhaya.** They will be accompanied by **Pt. Veerabhadraiah Hiremath** on harmonium and **Bhimashankar Bidanur** on tabla.

Sayan Ghosh started training in sitar under Ganesh Das and later on took lessons from Ustad Shahid Parvez. Sayan's performances include in excess of one hundred concerts all over the world. He holds the distinction of presenting the first-ever sitar concert at the Tagore Society, Houston, USA and Duet Concert with Ustad Ghulam Abbas Khan at Habitat Centre, Delhi, India.

Laahorii started training in music from Arindam Mukherjee and later on from Kaushik Goswami, Madhumita Saha and Sandipan Samajpati. Presently she is a scholar of ITC Sangeet Research Academy, Kolkata, under the tutelage of Guru Omkar Dadarkar since 2017.

She gave her first public performance at the age of nine. In 2021, she performed at Rupashi Bangla television for a programme Aji E Probhate. She performed in prestigious 'Sursagar' Festival in Bengaluru in 2024.

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'Pramati Utsava' Annual Day held

Noted Film Director Rajendra Singh Babu inaugurating 'Pramati Utsava' in the presence of Pramati Secretary H.V. Rajeev, Treasurer S. Paniraj, CEO C.S. Sudarshana, PU College Principal B.N. Sunil Dayakar and Principal V.R. Jaritha.

Mysuru, Dec.16- 'Pramati Utsava,' the Annual Day of Pramati Hillview Academy, was celebrated in city recently.

S.V. Rajendra Singh Babu, Renowned Film Producer and Director, who inaugurated the cultural show, motivated the students to strive for excellence.

"Facing the world's new challenges requires great humanity," he said adding that "humans must have the desire to achieve, innovate and inspire. Students should be given the opportunity to think independently, reducing mobile phone usage and focus on productivity. In the age of technology, children are immersed in movies; they learn about world cinema through film discussions and are inspired by the values depicted in films."

The staff members, who served in the institution for 10,15 and 20 years, were honoured. Academic achievers of Grade 10 board exams and students who have achieved in various co-curricular activities were felicitated.

The cultural extravaganza showcased vibrant talents with captivating performances, inspiring speeches and a host of other entertaining activities.

Students presenting cultural extravaganza at 'Pramati Utsava.'

Dakshina Kesari Sahitya Awardee

Kannada writer Dr. Lavanya Prabha, who was honoured with Dakshina Kesari Kannada Sahitya Award, seen with (front row) Ln. N. Jayaramu, Ln. Y.N. Satish, Ln. P. Rajan, Ln. N. Subramanya, Ln. M.P. Satish Babu, Ln. J. Srinivas, Ln. T. Shashikumar, Ln. H.G. Vittala, Ln. Vinod Rashinkar; (back row) LL Sukanya Satish, Leo Mythri, Ln. R.G. Shankar, Ln. Rishab Dev, Ln. N.V. Satish, H.P. Jagadish, LL Mary Rajan and LL Uma Rishab Dev.

Mysuru, Dec. 16 -Lions Club of Mysore South presented 'Dakshina Kesari Kannada Sahitya Prashasthi - 2025' to renowned Kannada writer Dr. Lavanya Prabha at a function held at Rotary Hall, JLB Road in city recently.

Ln. N. Subramanya, Immediate Past District Governor, Lions International, District 317 G, was the chief guest.

Addressing the gathering, Subramanya lauded the Club for upholding a proud literary tradition by honouring outstanding Kannada writers for nearly 25 years through this award.

Dr. Lavanya is a truly deserving and distinguished contributor to Kannada literature, he said congratulating her for joining an illustrious league of eminent writers like Dr. Chandrashekar Kambara, Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa, Prof. Dejagow, T.N. Seetharam, Prof. Rajashekara, Prof. Krishna Murthy, Rajashekar Koti, Addanda Cariappa and Dr. Latha Rajashekar.

Ln. J. Srinivas, District Chairperson for Kannada Rajyotsava, Ln. S. Vasuki, Region Chairperson, Ln. T. Shashikumar, Zone Chairperson and Ln. N. Jayaramu, Additional District Cabinet Secretary, Lions International, District 317 G, attended. Ln. Rishab Dev introduced the awardee. Ln. Satish Babu presided. Ln. N. Jayaramu compered.

St. Philomena's College observes Human Rights Day

Mysuru, Dec.16- St. Philomena's College (Autonomous), Bannimantap, Mysuru, marked Human Rights Day-2025 with a meaningful celebration under the global theme "Human Rights, Our Everyday Essentials."

The event was jointly organised by the Equal Opportunity Cell, the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and the Institution Innovation Council.

The celebration was formally inaugurated by chief guest Muhammed Hasmath Khan, Dy.SP, Assistant Director of Karnataka Police Academy, Mysuru.

Resource Person Dr. T.M. Prashanth, Assistant Professor at Vidyavardhaka Law College, Mysuru, elaborated on the legal and practical dimensions of human rights as "Everyday Essentials."

Both Muhammed Hasmath Khan and Dr. Prashanth werefeted,

Rev. Dr. Lourdu Prasad Joseph, Rector of St. Philomena's College, presided.

Other dignitaries present included Rev. Fr. Gnana Pragasam, Campus Administrator, Rev. Fr. S. David Sagayaraj, Assistant to the Rector, Dr. Ravi J.D. Saldanha, Principal and Ronald Prakash Cutinha, Vice-Principal.

Dr. B. Shyla, Associate Professor of PG Chemistry, welcomed. Dr. V. Deepa, IQAC Co-Coordinator, proposed the vote of thanks. A. Thomas Gunaseelan (IQAC - Coordinator) and Dr. H.K. Nandeesha (EO Cell - Coordinator) coordinated for the successful organisation of the event. Technical assistance was managed by John Joseph, System Admin and P. Babu, Assistant Professor of Malayalam.

Little Elly Pre-School annual day

Former Corporator SBM Manju inaugurating the annual day function of Little Elly Pre-School in Gokulam recently as School Head Lakshmi, teachers Kamala, Prameela and others look on.

'Viveka Kutumbakam' celebrated

Mysuru, Dec. 16- 'Viveka Kutumbakam,' the 12th Annual Day celebration of Sri Viveka Vidyalaya PU College was held at the college premises recently.

Swami Parahitananda Maharaja, Adhyaksha, Sri Ramakrishna Sharadaashrama, Ponnampet, South Kodagu, graced the occasion.

Dr. B.R. Guruprasad, Director, Nehru Planetarium, Bengaluru; K.C. Puttasiddashetty, Chairman; M.S. Nagesh, Director; Sunil Kumar, Secretary; Bhavani Nagesh, Administrative Officer and K.N. Shilpa, Principal of the institute, were present.

The Swamiji, who released the college calendar, advised the students to follow 5 principles of Swami Vivekananda — self-control, self-confidence, concentration, self-realisation and being a philanthropist.

Dr. Guruprasad lauded the institution for training the students both in academic and co-curricular activities.

The event culminated with a cultural extravaganza themed 'Navarasa.' All the staff members, students, parents and alumini witnessed the programme.

Hear hum of music from Kuteera

Karnataka State Gangubai Hangal Music and Performing Arts University builds a new campus at Nadanahalli in city outskirts

To be officially inaugurated soon, says VC Prof. Nagesh V. Bettakote

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (MK&BS)- *SaReGaMa...* the hum of music emanating from a Kuteera (cottage) nestled amid pristine environs, reminds of Gurukula, that was in vogue during princely days. The setting is back, with Karnataka State Gangubai Hangal Music and Performing Arts University, recreating the ambience, in the outskirts, at Nadanahali near Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Nagar, on Mysuru-T. Narasipur Road in city.

A view of the administrative office building of Music Varsity at Nadanahalli.

The new campus, built on a vast expanse of 5.5 acres of land at an estimated cost of Rs. 9.75 crore, is all set for official opening, marking the turn of a new page, for the State's only Varsity dedicated for the cause of teaching music and performing arts, within an academic framework.

The Varsity was established 16 years ago in the year 2008-2009 and was functioning from heritage Government High School building in Lakshmipuram, located near Vedanta Hemmige Circle, in the heart of the city. Since then, the Varsity was struggling to have its own campus, which has now become a reality.

Mysuru Development Authority (MDA) had allotted 5.5 acres of land at Nadanahalli. The foundation was laid for building the campus in February 2025 and was executed by the Central Government's National Projects Construction Corporation (NPCC) Limited. The works were completed on a war-footing, well before the deadline, giving a new lease of life for the land.

The class rooms built in circular style cottages, covered by a country tiled roof and windows with bamboo curtain, create an aesthetic feeling, suffice to practice the nuances of music.

The works of Administrative Office building and library have been completed, with the interior designing of the rooms, still on. The works on building the hostel too shall be launched soon and will be completed within three months.

Elated over the Varsity finally having its own campus, Vice-Chancellor Prof. Nagesh V. Bettakote told *Star of Mysore,* "We are self-sufficient now, by having a dedicated campus. The music and performing arts classes have begun in phases, followed by theatre and other art forms. If the Government recruits permanent staff, it would be beneficial in seeking 12b status from University Grants Commission (UGC) and tapping all other funds. National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) and National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) related procedures can also be fulfilled."

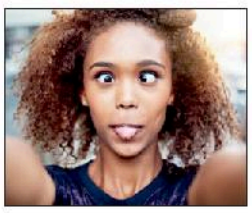
A total of 155 students are pursuing various courses including Bachelor of Performing Arts (BPA) in Karnatak Music, Hindustani Music, Bharatanatyam and Theatre. In addition, the Varsity has a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with 81 institutions, to offer Diploma and other skill development courses. Special exams of Karnataka Madhyamik Shiksha Pariksha Board (Karnataka School Examination and Assessment Board — KSEAB) are also conducted here. Research centres of Music Varsity have been set up at five institutions, with the enquiries pouring in from other States and also foreign countries, added Prof. Bettakote.

The existing campus at Lakshmipuram will be used for developing a museum in the name of renowned Karnatak Vocalist Dr. Gangubai Hangal. That apart, the Administrative Office will be functioning and the exams will be conducted, he clarified.

Students seen attending class at a Kuteera modelled class room at the new campus of Music Varsity in Nadanahalli.

WORD OF THE DAY

Waggish



Pronunciation: WAG-ish (adjective)
Meaning: Waggish describes someone who is silly and playful, and especially someone who displays a mischievous sense of humour. The word can also describe things that such a person might do or possess.
Origin: One who is waggish acts like a wag. What, then, is a wag? It has nothing to do with a dog's tail; in this case a wag is a clever person prone to joking. Though light-hearted in its use and meaning, the probable source of this particular wag is grim: it is thought to be short for waghalter, an obsolete English word that translates as gallows bird, a gallows bird being someone thought to be deserving of hanging (wag being the familiar wag having to do with movement, and halter referring to a noose). Despite its gloomy origins, waggish is now often associated with humour and playfulness — a wag is a joker, and waggery is merriment or practical joking. Waggish can describe the prank itself as well as the prankster type; the class clown might be said to have a "waggish disposition" or be prone to "waggish antics."
Example: "[Patricia] Lockwood began her writing life quietly, as a poet. She found her first major audience on Twitter, posting self-proclaimed 'absurdities' ... that quickly came to define the medium's zany, waggish ethos ..." — Alexandra Schwartz, The New Yorker, 25 Aug. 2025.

THE ODD WORD

Banzai

A Japanese cheer of enthusiasm or triumph.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Face the music

Meaning: You use the expression 'Face the music' to indicate that it is necessary to accept the negative consequences of previous actions.
Origin: The term "Face the music" was first seen in print during the mid-1800s. The earliest example comes from an 1834 edition of The New Hampshire Statesman & State Journal: "Will the editor of the Courier explain this black affair. We want no equivocation; 'face the music' this time."
Example: "Jim ran a stop sign and caused an accident; now he's going to have to face the music."

QUOTE BOX

Order and simplification are the first steps toward the mastery of a subject. **—Thomas Mann**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Food for thought.

SUDOKU

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1				8		3		
	5		6		2			
			8	9				
9		5				4		6
				2	6			
			4		9		6	
		8		7				9
7								1

Answer to previous puzzle

3	7	4	6	5	1	8	2	9
1	2	5	8	7	9	3	6	4
9	8	6	3	4	2	5	7	1
7	1	8	5	9	3	6	4	2
5	4	3	7	2	6	1	9	8
6	9	2	1	8	4	7	5	3
2	5	7	4	3	8	9	1	6
8	6	9	2	1	5	4	3	7
4	3	1	9	6	7	2	8	5

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 _ __ state of affairs: unfortunate circumstances (1,3)
5 Particularly
9 Eng. Press. Ratio
12 'Father' in French
13 Drug-yielding plant
14 As being (Latin)
15 Progressed in water
16 French city - "Seoul out" anagram
18 Penetrate or go into
20 Born Free lioness
21 Investigate
24 Brief fight (3-2)
27 Dark-haired woman
31 Charged particle
32 Trigonometric term
33 Gad's son?
34 Pilaster - "at an" anagram?
35 Chew and swallow
36 Five-sided figure
38 Smooth in a slippery way
41 Carry on the body
42 Fall in drops
44 Poppy product
48 Spends frivolously
52 Top-notch (1-3)
53 The sun
54 Singing group
55 Working (2,2)
56 Overmodest
57 Currency of China
58 Normal charge

DOWN

1 Part of a church
2 Stitched
3 Smell _ __ : suspect foul play (1,3)
4 Possession (of land) as one's own
5 A wooden barrel
6 "Rockaria!" band
7 A French rake, dissolute man
8 Shouts
9 Balancing, comparing or relating
10 Septic discharge
11 "Are" anagram for a foreign boy's name?
17 Sugar suffix
19 Feel remorse for
22 Every dance has its own particular one
23 Scatter about
25 "Africa" pop group
26 __ __ even keel : cruising serenely? (2,2)
27 Bombay Suburban Electric Supply, in short?
28 Oman's currency
29 In a slovenly and unkempt manner
30 One in Oldenburg
34 Guru Dutt's 1954 production (3,4)
37 Chinese principle
39 Cathode Ray Tube, abbr.
40 Young domestic cat
43 Machu Picchu locale
45 Least amount
46 Single entity
47 Apportion or share out
48 Fuel Sys. Controller
49 Marsupial (colloq.)
50 Inlet for "air" change !
51 Male offspring

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

M	O	W	S	■	H	O	E	■	S	M	U	T
A	R	A	T	■	O	W	N	■	A	E	R	O
B	A	R	R	A	G	E	S	■	M	E	G	A
■	■	■	A	B	S	■	H	O	O	K	E	D
P	I	X	I	E	■	U	R	N	S	■	■	■
E	D	E	N	■	A	N	I	M	A	T	E	S
R	O	N	■	O	V	I	N	E	■	O	T	S
E	L	O	N	G	A	T	E	■	Z	O	N	E
■	■	■	I	L	I	E	■	H	U	L	A	S
E	N	A	M	E	L	■	R	U	R	■	■	■
K	E	R	B	■	I	N	E	D	I	B	L	E
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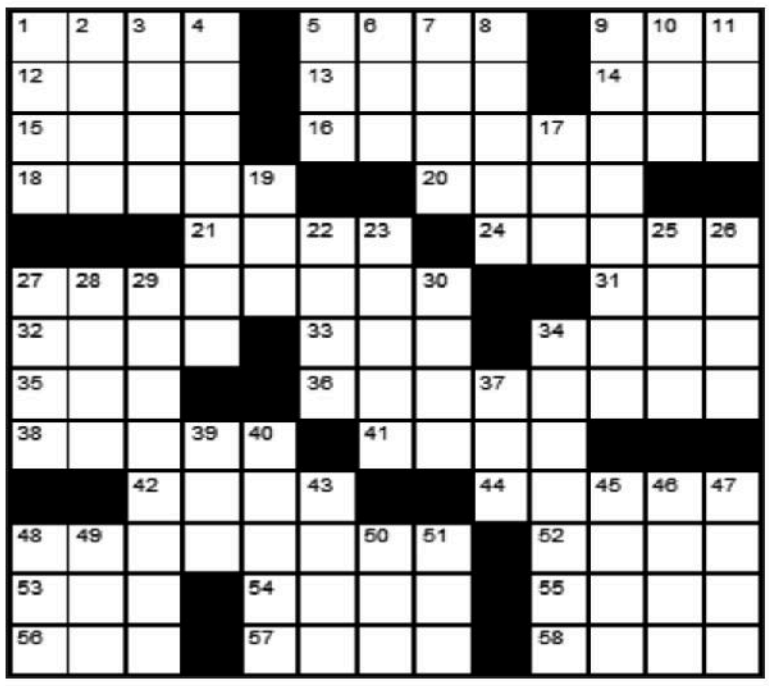
D	A	L	E	■	G	O	D	■	H	E	R	O



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

HI PHQSF NMQSP ZXIJ ILQ GQXPIL NP GFSBNSXNPJ;

HI PHQSF ZXIJ JSLC NP XQPQSXUW.

TODAY'S CLUE: H EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Nothing is more difficult, and therefore more precious, than to be able to decide.

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  Mahasenha (Ta) - 4 Shows
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  Kis Kisko Pyaar Karoon 2 (H) - 3 Shows

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Padmagandhi (K)	(S-1)	9.30 am
Akhanda 2 (Te)	(S-1)	12.10 pm
	(S-2)	10.25 pm
	(S-3)	3.40 pm
Kis Kisko Pyaar Karoon 2 (H)	(S-1)	3.30 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	(S-1)	6.25 pm, 10.30 pm
	(S-2)	12.50 pm
The Devil (K)	(S-2)	9.30 am, 7.10 pm
	(S-3)	10.05 pm
	(S-4)	9.20 am, 12.35 pm, 3.55 pm
		7.15 pm, 10.30 pm
Zootopia 2 (E-3D)	(S-2)	4.50 pm
Padayappa (Ta)	(S-3)	12 noon
Vishwaroopini Shree Vasavi (K)	(S-3)	6.55 pm

MOVIES AT MYSURU VISION CINEMAS Ph: 2973519

The Devil (K)	:	9.25 am, 11 am, 12.30 pm
		3.40 pm, 4.45 pm, 6.50 pm, 7.45 pm
		9.15 pm, 10 pm
Kantara: A Legend Chapter - 1 (K)	:	12.45 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	:	12.50 pm, 3.50 pm, 7.45 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

The Devil (K)	:	8.30 am, 8.55 am, 10.20 am
		11.55 am, 12.10 pm, 1.45 pm
		3.20 pm, 3.40 pm, 6.45 pm
		7.05 pm, 10.10 pm, 10.30 pm
Akhanda 2: Thaandavam (Te)	:	8.50 am, 12.20 pm, 3.30 pm
		6.50 pm, 10.10 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	:	9 am, 9.30 am, 1.45 pm, 5.30 pm
		6 pm, 9.45 pm, 10.15 pm
Sholay: The Final Cut (H)	:	1.15 pm
Zootopia 2 (E-3D)	:	5.10 pm
Kis Kisko Pyaar Karoon 2 (H)	:	7.35 pm
Tere Ishk Mein (H)	:	10.20 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

The Devil (K)	:	8.05 am, 8.40 am, 11.30 am
		12.05 pm, 2.55 pm, 3.30 pm
		6.20 pm, 6.55 pm, 10.20 pm
Akhanda 2: Thaandavam (Te)	:	8.50 am, 12.10 pm, 3.30 pm
		6.50 pm, 10.10 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	:	9.45 am, 2 pm, 6.15 pm
		9.45 pm, 10.30 pm

EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 16)

- **Rotary Mysore English Medium School, Dattagalli:** 'Rotary Rhythm,' 10th Annual Day celebration 2025-26, C.V. Gopinath, former Additional Secretary to the Government of India, chief guest, Rtn. S. Ravishankar, President, Rotary Mysore, guest of honour, Rtn. Gp. Capt. K.S. Chandrashekhar, Chairman of the School, presides, Kalamandira, Hunsur Road, **4 pm.**
- **Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate:** Sri Hanuma Jayanti, devotional songs by Parashiva and troupe, **5.30 pm to 6.30 pm;** Sugama Sangeetha by Poorvaj Vishwanath and troupe, Temple premises, **7 pm to 9.30 pm.**
- **Sri Lakshminarasimhaswamy Temple of Melukote Yadugiri Yatiraj Mutt, Mysuru Branch:** Dhanurmasa Puja, Temple premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Sadhana Mandira:** Special Training Sessions - Learn & Perform, Simple and Diligent, Saraswati Puja with meaning, symbolism, significance, advantages and methodology by Swami Hamsananda, Sri Sankashtahara Ganapati Temple, BEML Nagar, Srirampura 2nd Stage, **6.30 pm to 7.15 pm;** Mysuru Yogalaya, D.S. Mansion, #1, 13th Block, SBM Layout, Vivekanandanagar, **7.30 pm to 8.15 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 17)

- **Railway Pensioners' Welfare Association:** Pensioners' Day, Mudit Mittal, Divisional Railway Manager (DRM), chief guest, Vishnu Gouda, Sr. Divisional Personnel Officer and R.C. Harsha Vardhan, Sr. Divisional Financial Manager, guests, floral tributes will be offered to late D.S. Nakara, Parthasarathy, President, Railway Pensioners' Welfare Association, presides, G.S. Swaminathan, General Secretary, Railway Pensioners' Welfare Association, will be present, SC/ST Association, Meeting Hall, Seshadri Iyer Road, **10.30 am.** [Mob: 91130-68327]
- **Special Cell for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, University of Mysore (UoM):** Valedictory of Manasa Youth Empowerment 2025-26, workshop on Youth Empowerment and Employment, R.N. Bindu Mani, DCP (Law & Order), Mysuru and Dr. P. Shivaraju, ADC, Mysuru, chief guests, M.K. Savitha, Registrar, UoM, presides, Prof. D. Anand, Chairman, Executive Committee, Manasa Youth Empowerment 2025-26, will be present, Sri Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar Auditorium, Senate Bhavana, Manasagangothri, **4 pm.**
- **Niranthara Foundation, Mysuru:** Niranthara Ranga Utsava, Jade Kolata by Manava Team, Hassan, **5.30 pm;** Poet & Thinker S.G. Siddaramaiah will inaugurate the Fest. Senior theatre person Rameshwari Verma and Prasad Kundur of Niranthara will be present, **6.15 pm;** Staging of the play 'Nanna Tejaswi' (based on Rajeshwari Tejaswi's autobiography) by Kalamadhyama, Bengaluru, Music by B.J. Bharat, Theatre Adaptation, Design and Direction by B.M. Giriraj, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**
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		12.15 pm, 2.40 pm, 3.40 pm
		6.05 pm, 7.05 pm
		9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Akhanda 2: Thaandavam (Te)	:	8.50 am, 12.10 pm
		6.50 pm, 10.10 pm
Akhanda 2: Thaandavam (K)	:	3.30 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	:	9.50 am, 2 pm
		6.10 pm, 10.20 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

The Devil (K)	:	7.40 am, 8.40 am, 11.05 am
		12.05 pm, 2.30 pm, 3.30 pm
		5.55 pm, 6.55 pm
		9.20 pm, 10.20 pm
Akhanda 2: Thaandavam (Te)	:	9.05 am, 3.30 pm
		6.50 pm, 10.10 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	:	10 am, 2.10 pm
		6.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Peotu (K)	:	12.25 pm

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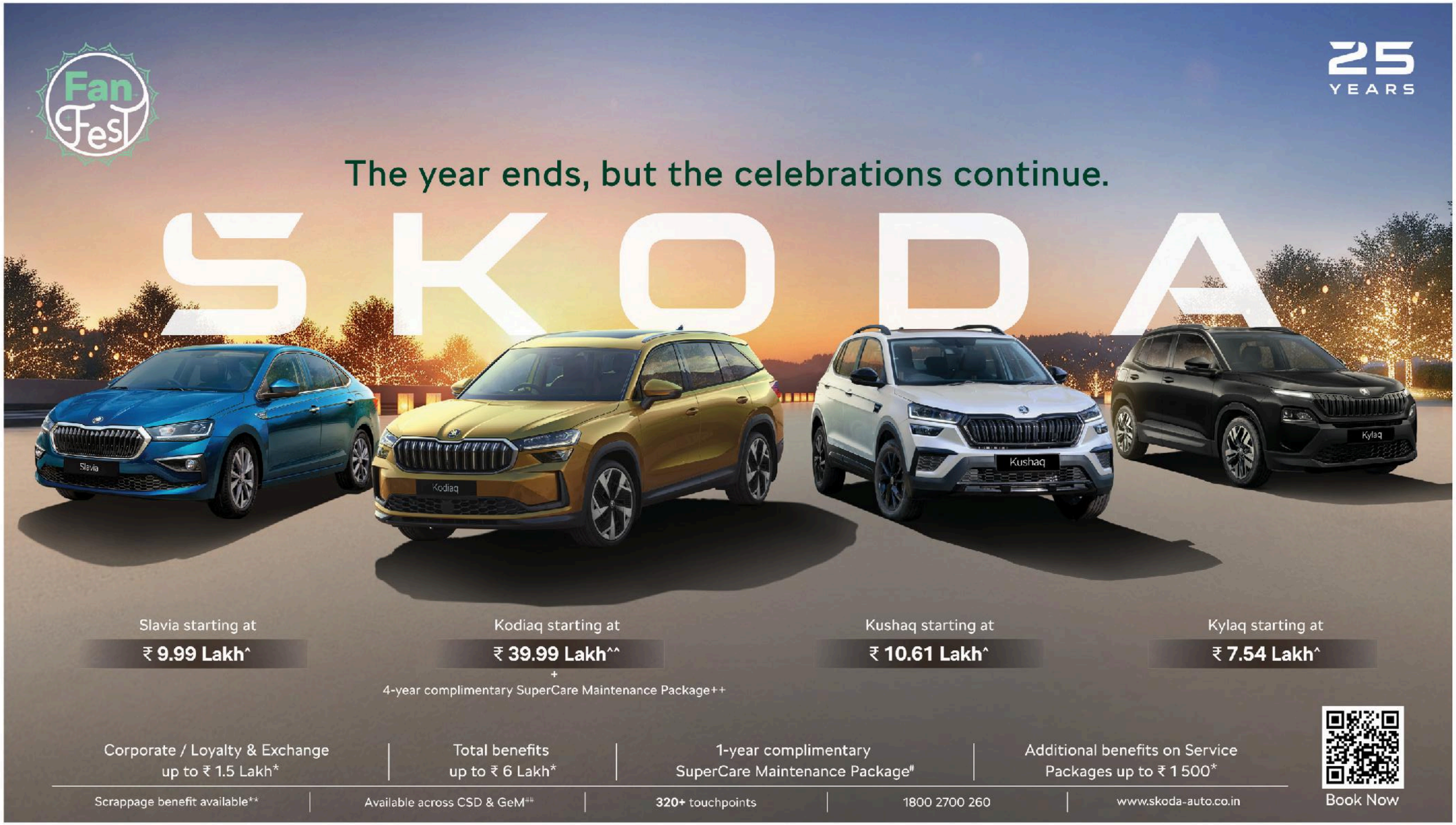

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